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Speed limits of motor cars and buses in the presidency.

* 93 *Q.*— Mr. J. A. Saldanha: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what orders or notifications have been issued to fix the speed limits of motor cars and motor buses in several parts of the presidency outside the Madras City; and

(*b*) what the various speed limits are for the several motor vehicles?

A.—(*a*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to column 3 of the statement annexed to the answer to the Legislative Council question No. 92.

(*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to rules 25-A and 41 of the Madras Motor Vehicles Rules, and to Notification No. 711, dated 12th September 1928, published at page 1375 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 18th September 1928. The District Magistrates and local boards also prescribe speed limits in the G permits and licences issued by them as they deem fit.

Police

Appointment of the Deputy Superintendent of Police.

* 94 *Q.*—Mr. K. R. Karant: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that there is a vacancy of the post of Deputy Superintendent of Police and whether the same is intended to be filled up soon;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to appoint the son of a late Judge of the Madras High Court to the post; and

(*c*) whether the Staff Selection Board is also inviting applications for the post; and why?

A.—(*a*) There were three vacancies. The undermentioned persons were appointed on 22nd June 1929 to two of them:—

M.R.Ry. P. Dhanarajulu Nayudu Garu and Y. Roshan Sahib Bahadur.

Appointment to the third vacancy is under consideration.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The Staff Selection Board as usual invited applications for appointment under orders of Government and the final selection was made by Government from the list of candidates submitted by the Staff Selection Board.

Civil Justice

Removal of the bar of 13 years' permanent service rule for Subordinate Judges and District Munsifs.

* 95 *Q.*—Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state with reference to the answer given to question No. 1582, dated 1st March 1929, regarding the removal of the bar of 13 years' permanent service rule for Subordinate Judges and District Munsifs—

(*a*) whether the Government have come to a decision thereon; and

(*b*) if so, what the decision is?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The question is still under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" May I know when the Government are likely to come to a decision on this matter ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I hope to do so in the course of a month or so."

Removal of bar of 13 years' permanent service rule for increment in the case of Subordinate Judges and District Munsifs.

* 96 *Q.*—Mr. K. R. KARANT : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government have come to any and, if so, what decision in regard to the removal of the bar of 13 years' permanent service rule for increment in the case of subordinate judges and district munsifs referred to in my question No. 1582, dated 1st March 1929 ; and

(*b*) if not, why not ?

A.—The hon. Member is referred to the answer to question No. 95.

Delays in the disposal of cases in Civil Courts.

* 97 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether, with reference to the observations in G.O. No. 30, Law (General), dated 3rd January 1929, as to delays in the disposal of suits in the Courts of District Munsifs and Subordinate Judges the High Court has taken any measures to reduce the long pendency of litigation in the courts ?

A.—The Government have no reason to believe that the hon. the Judges have not taken any measures with reference to the suggestion of the Government.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I enquire whether the Government have enquired as to what steps have been taken by the High Court ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" May I know whether there has been any increase effected in the disposal of cases ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It is not possible to know."

Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR :—" Apart from the nature of the answer, may I ask whether the Government have satisfied themselves that the High Court has taken steps in the matter ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The Government have no information."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" Will the hon. Member make the necessary enquiry and find out whether the High Court has taken the necessary steps ? "